

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This paper is submitted to place the claim in better form for examination of the U.S. practice. These claim amendments are not narrowing in nature.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge the extra claim fee for four additional defendant claims, which is then \$1,160.00, to deposit account no. 02-0184. Please also charge any additional fee which may be due to this deposit account number.

Respectfully submitted,

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